

ABOUT TRICHOMONAS

WHAT IS TRICHOMONAS?

Trichomonas is an infection of your sex organs. You can get trichomonas when you have sex with someone that has it. You can also pass it to another person during sex.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT TRICHOMONAS;

If you are a woman your vagina may:

Itch

Burn, irritation, redness

Have a bad-smelling heavy discharge; discharge may be yellowish-gray or green in color

If you are a man, you may not have any signs.

WHAT TO DO:

1. Tell your doctor or nurse if you may be pregnant.
2. Your doctor or nurse will give you a prescription for medicine. Get it filled right away. Use your medication just like your doctor or nurse told you to. Take the medicine until it is all gone, even if you are feeling better.
3. Tell your sex partner(s) "I got medicine for trichomonas. You need a test and medicine too!" Tell your partner(s) that most men who have trichomonas don't have any signs at all.
4. Do not have sex. Wait until you and your sex partner(s) get medicine and finish using all the medicine.
5. Always use a condom (rubber) or have your partner wear a condom when you have sex. This will protect you and your sex partner from getting any disease.
6. If you think you have a sexually transmitted disease (STD), go to your doctor or Women's Clinic right away. STD is the new term for VD.

DO NOT:

- Do not drink alcohol. Wait until three days after you have taken all of your pills.
- Do not have sex. Wait until you and your partner(s) have taken all the medicine for trichomonas.